

## HALF THE FLEET ON HAND

## NINE BATTLESHIPS NOW IN HAMPTON ROADS.

Georgia, Illinois, Alabama, Ohio, Kansas and Kansas Drop Anchor—Connecticut of the Cape and the Kentucky and Maine Are Already on the Way.

NORFOLK, Va., Dec. 7.—Vessels of the Pacific fleet arriving in Hampton Roads this afternoon were the battleships Georgia, Illinois, Alabama, Ohio, Kansas and Kansas. They dropped anchor in line with the Louisiana, New Jersey and Virginia, already in the Roads. More than half of the fleet has arrived.

There was a constant passage of coal and ammunition barges between the Norfolk Navy Yard and the ships to-day. Hand picked coal is being supplied to all those vessels not yet coaled to their capacity and every lump of it is being examined. None of the coal is being barged to the ships from coal piers, but all of it from the Government's own coal pile in the Norfolk Navy Yard.

Of the vast supplies of ammunition which the ships will take to the Pacific much of it is armor piercing projectiles from the magazines back of the navy yard. Such projectiles are not used for target practice at sea.

Among other vessels now near Cape Henry is the battleship Connecticut, flagship of Rear Admiral Evans, commander in chief of the Pacific fleet. Several wireless messages were flashed here from that vessel this afternoon and it is expected to anchor in the Roads to-morrow. Another vessel now in the Roads is the fleet tender Yankton.

BOSTON, Dec. 7.—The battleship Kentucky, fifth and last of the battleships to fit out here, sailed from here this morning for the Pacific fleet's rendezvous at Hampton Roads, where her orders instruct her commanding officer, Capt. Cowles, to report to the commander in chief of the fleet on Monday morning. The Kentucky's departure was watched by a crowd of navy yard mechanics and sailors and marines from the receiving ship Wabash, the cruiser Des Moines, the gunboat Scorpion, and the marine barracks and hundreds of people along the waterfront and on the ferryboats.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 7.—A day behind her schedule, the battleship Maine rested in midstream in the Delaware River this morning awaiting high tide. She sailed when it came.

The Maine was to have left League Island Navy Yard at 10:30 o'clock yesterday morning, but on her way out from the dock her steering gear was disabled and she was obliged to put back for repairs. Her rudder was found to be clogged with mud and a heavy log.

Capt. Harber of the Maine was disgusted with the accident. He called it a disgrace that a city like Philadelphia had no better harbor.

There have been virtually no desertions reported from League Island Navy Yard. Several sailors missed their vessels, but they will be shipped to Hampton Roads on the Maine and disciplined.

Admiral Evans's Final Conference.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—Rear Admiral Robley D. Evans, commander in chief of the Atlantic battleship squadron, was at the Navy Department to-day for a final conference with the officers of the bureau of navigation in regard to the 14,000 mile cruises to the Pacific coast, which will begin on December 16. He also called at the White House and had a conference with the President.

Admiral Evans will leave here to-morrow night for Hampton Roads, where he will go aboard his flagship, the Connecticut, which has already arrived there.

MR. ODELL GETTING BETTER.

Gradual Improvement Reported From His Sickroom at Newburgh.

Chairman Timothy L. Woodruff of the Republican State committee said at the Waldorf-Astoria last night:

"I have received within the last twenty-four hours a letter from Mrs. Odell saying that her husband is slowly on the mend; that he has had a very severe time of it, but that he is gradually improving. And Mrs. Odell has been good enough to flatter me to go to Newburgh to see her husband when he can receive visitors. I shall certainly avail myself of Mrs. Odell's invitation, and when I am assured that Gov. Odell is able to receive visitors I shall be one of the first at his bedside."

Reuben L. Fox, secretary of the Republican State committee for many years and in recent years looked upon as the closest friend of Mr. Odell, also made it known that Mr. Odell was improving, and that within a month or more he will be on his feet again. Calvin McKnight, formerly personal secretary to Mr. Odell and later secretary to Edward H. Harriman, said that he kept in touch with Newburgh and that he knew that Mr. Odell was gradually coming back to a strong physical condition, notwithstanding the reports that had been sent out of Newburgh within the last few days that he was close to death.

Luther B. Little, chief of the literary bureau at the Republican State headquarters and treasurer of the Republican State committee, said that from what he knew he was quite convinced that Mr. Odell was safely on the mend.

Orange Facing a Still Drier Spell.

ORANGE, N. J., Dec. 7.—The Orange Board of Excise at its January meeting will probably increase the saloon license fee from \$300 to \$400 a year. Last year the fee was raised \$50 and it is expected that the brewers and saloon keepers will protest. The Orange Lodge of Elks has decided not to press its application for a license to sell liquor in its new clubhouse.

The Weather.

The high pressure remained central over the south Atlantic States yesterday, but had expanded and covered all the eastern half of the country. The low area from western Canada was moving into the States, causing rain and unsettled conditions in most districts west of the Rocky Mountains. Along the middle Atlantic and New England coasts the weather was generally fair, but westward, throughout the central valleys, it was cloudy, with rain falling in the middle Mississippi and lower Missouri valleys.

It was warmer, almost without exception, from the Mississippi to the Atlantic coast.

The temperature was below freezing in the morning over a narrow strip of country from New England southwest to North Carolina and Tennessee.

In North Dakota, western Minnesota and western Kansas it was colder, and warmer in Utah and Nevada.

In this city the day was fair and warmer; wind, light southwest; average humidity, 64 per cent; barometer, corrected to read to sea level, at 3 A. M., 30.32; 3 P. M., 30.24.

The temperature yesterday, as recorded by the official thermometer, is shown in the annexed table:

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3 A. M. 32° 100° 3 P. M. 43° 100°  
12 M. 40° 100° 3 P. M. 40° 100°  
3 P. M. 40° 100° 3 P. M. 40° 100°  
Highest temperature, 46°, at 3 P. M.

WASHINGTON FORECAST FOR TO-DAY AND TO-MORROW.

For eastern New York, fair to-day; increasing cloudiness to-morrow; light and to south winds.  
For New England, fair to-day and to-morrow; light to fresh westerly winds.  
For the District of Columbia, Maryland and Virginia, fair and warmer to-day; increasing cloudiness to-morrow; light, variable winds.  
For western New York, western Pennsylvania and Ohio, increasing cloudiness and warmer to-day; rain to-morrow; fresh southerly winds.

Special Sale for Monday, December 9th.  
100 Fur-Lined Coats for Women

Formerly \$39.50 at \$25.00  
Formerly \$75.00 at \$49.50  
Formerly \$98.00 at \$69.50  
Formerly \$115.00 at \$79.50

110 Tailored Suits } \$37.50  
Formerly \$50.00 to \$75.00, at

68 Evening Coats } \$25.00  
Formerly \$45.00 to \$55.00, at

140 Cloth Street Coats } \$19.50  
Formerly \$25.00 to \$37.50, at

50 Karakul Cloth Coats  
Formerly \$35.00, at \$23.50  
Formerly \$39.00, at \$26.50

200 Broadcloth Princess Dresses  
(Assorted styles and colors).  
Formerly \$50.00 and \$55.00, at \$29.50  
Formerly \$58.00 to \$65.00, at \$33.50  
Formerly \$67.00 to \$75.00, at \$38.50

280 Separate Skirts

Of broadcloth, voiles and panama cloths.  
Formerly \$10.50 and \$12.50, at \$6.75  
Formerly \$15.00 to \$18.00, at \$9.75

## Tailored Suits for Girls &amp; Misses

(12 to 18 years. Also for Small Women, 12 to 36 bust)

120 Tailored Suits at \$13.50

Of cheviots in plain colors and fancy mixtures.  
Formerly \$18.50 and \$20.00

72 Tailored Suits at \$19.50

Of plain and fancy broadcloths.  
Formerly \$25.00 to \$29.00

Special for Monday and Tuesday

## House Garments for Women

Japanese Quilted Robes in various colors:  
full back, kimono sleeves, finished at waist  
with silk girdle. } \$10.95

Japanese Quilted Robes, handsomely embroidered  
in various colors, full back, kimono  
sleeves, silk girdle. } \$12.50

Boudoir Jackets of imported zernana, shawl  
collar, finished with hand embroidered scallops,  
in white, pink or blue. } \$4.95

Gowns of zernana in pink, blue, white, laven-  
der, black or red; handsomely embroidered;  
albatross or silk-lined. } \$25.00  
to \$49.50

## Apparel for Infants—Special

Colored Coats	Value	\$5.00	\$5.50	\$6.50	\$10.00	\$32.50
	At	2.98	3.95	4.95	6.95	18.50
White Coats	Value	\$5.50	\$8.50	\$11.50	\$13.50	\$18.50
	At	3.95	5.95	6.95	8.95	12.50
Caps & Bonnets	Value	\$5.00	\$5.50	\$7.50	\$9.00	\$15.00
	At	2.98	3.50	4.95	5.95	9.95

## Eiderdown Wool Afghans

Value	\$2.98	\$4.00	\$5.00	\$7.00
At	1.98	2.95	3.50	4.95

## Carriage and Crib Pillow Slips

Hand embroidered and hand made

Value	\$3.00	\$3.50	\$6.00	\$7.50
At	1.98	2.50	4.95	5.95

## Neckwear for Women

Suggestions without end—pretty gifts that evidence the newest conceits in dainty form.

Linen Collars, embroidered in white or colors	25c to \$3.75
Jabots, short or long, of mull, chiffon, net or lace	50c to \$9.00
Bows of lace or silk	25c to \$1.75
Lace Stocks of real Irish, Val. or fancy silk	50c to \$3.25
Collar and Cuff Sets	25c, 50c, 75c
Box of Ruching, six assorted patterns	25c, 50c

Coat Sets, Chemisettes, Crepe Scarfs, printed or plain, Syrian Scarfs, Lace Scarfs.

Ostrich and Marabout Stoles (combined), also Marabout or Coque Stoles and Capes, with Muffs to match, in black, white, sky, gray, pink, taupe, natural or fawn.

Chiffon Auto Veils, square or long.  
Lace Veils in white, black or colors (in boxes).

## House Coats &amp; Robes for Men

Beautifully tailored garments that bear in every outline the impress of distinction. The variety is exceedingly large.

Dressing Gowns of camel's hair, cheviots, matelasse or velvet. } \$10.00 to \$45.00

Imported Terry Cloth Bath Robes. } \$6.00 to \$25.00

Blanket Robes, plain or with satin ribbon bound edges. } \$6.00 to \$22.50

House Coats of double faced fabrics, velvets, matelasse or tricots. } \$6.00 to \$26.50

House Coats—a large, exclusive line, of double faced cloths in green, red, gray, brown or navy blue; collar and cuffs of the reverse side of the fabric. } \$5.00

Blanket and Imported German Terry Robes in Persian or figured designs on light or dark grounds.

NOTICE—Beginning Saturday, December 14th, the store will be open evenings until seven o'clock.

## Saks &amp; Company

Herald Square

## Cleverness and Distinctiveness

are the features we seek in providing our holiday displays. We go so far in our search for these attributes that the furthest markets of the world are made to contribute their quota.

In every nook and corner of Europe we look for new things—bright ideas, cleverly wrought—novelties that appeal because of beauty or richness or unquestioned utility.

The fundamental feature of all must be intrinsic merit. But this we desire you to accept as a foregone conclusion.

Our strongest object is to provide merchandise that is, first of all, distinctive—that cannot be found everywhere, and that, withal, is priced most reasonably.

At this season, more than all others, the perfection of our delivery service asserts itself—promises to deliver at a specified moment will be kept. All engraving entrusted to us will be carefully executed and delivered as promised.

## Gold and Diamond Jewelry

We do not invite you to "the largest exhibit of jewelry"—that, in itself, would not claim your attention.

We do, however, desire to appeal to your love of the beautiful by inviting your interest in a display that is unique in its distinctiveness.

Cleverness is a trait that foreign goldsmiths vie with home designers in cultivating. We take the best examples wherever found. Our display includes

GOLD AND DIAMOND JEWELRY, PLATED JEWELRY, NOVELTIES, COMBS, FANS, WHITE STONE JEWELRY, WATCHES, RINGS, NECKLACES, ETC.

## Mesh Bags and Vanity Cases

in solid gold set with diamonds and precious stones, sterling silver, sterling silver gilt, gold plated and gun metal. A very large and complete showing. With shirred meshes and pierced and engraved frames, ranging in price from \$5.00 to \$485.

## Watches for Men and Women

We direct attention to our stock of watches, especially those of the Waltham Company's manufacture. The following very special values are offered:

Men's size 14 K gold, 15 jewel, open face cases	\$25.00
In twenty-year gold-filled cases	12.50
Women's 14 K gold, open face Waltham Chatelaine	18.00
Watches with heavy 14 K pin	16.50
Women's 14 K Hunting Case Gold Watches	19.50
Boys' 14 K Waltham Watches, thin model	15.00
Misses' Solid 14 K Gold Watches	15.00

## Leather Goods and Novelties

An important specialty which has received much of our attention. Each market which supplies us sends not a mere sampling, but a complete line.

Thus we have from English, French, German and Viennese makers the best of their output, as well as a creditable domestic representation.

SMALL LEATHER GOODS—An extensive display in the new glazed black automobile leather, lined with red and purple; articles such as envelope bags, vanity bags, carriage bags, bottle sets, card cases, dressing rolls, etc.

HORN BACK ALLIGATOR GOODS—A comprehensive display, in which the small natural heads and claws have been combined to make very novel effects. These are shown in a wide variety of articles, such as envelope, carriage and vanity bags, whisk broom holders, tie cases, etc.

LARGE LEATHER GOODS—A display of foreign and domestic fitted travelling bags and cases for men or women, in walrus, alligator, seal, cowhide, pigskin and other leathers, fitted with nickel, ebony, ivory, sterling silver and 18k. gold requisites, ranging in price from \$16.75 to \$485.00.

IMPORTED BAGS—including the new "balloon" model; also fitted Vanity Bags in walrus, seal, crushed morocco, pigskin, alligator, antelope, monkey skin, lizard, etc., plain or mounted with sterling silver or gold.

Special Sale for Monday, December 9th.

\$2.25 Hand Bags at \$1.50

Of imported leather with 2-strap handle.

Special for Monday, December 9th.

## Silk &amp; Jersey Top Petticoats

Silk Petticoats.

in plaids, Roman stripes or plain colors.  
Value \$8.00 \$9.00 \$10.00 \$15.00 to \$22.50  
at \$5.00 \$6.95 \$7.95 \$12.50 to \$18.50

Jersey Top Petticoats, with deep taffeta silk section ruffle or pleating. Value \$3.95 } \$2.98

Mohair Petticoats	\$2.98	\$3.50	\$3.95	to	\$6.95
Moreen Petticoats	2.50	2.98	3.95	to	4.95
Jersey Top Petticoats	5.95	7.50	9.95	to	15.75
Sateen Petticoats	.75	1.00	1.50	to	1.98

## Silk Stockings for Women

A very choice holiday display, complete in every essential, offering Silk Stockings in all the newest shades as well as plain black, at \$1.35 to \$2.50  
Plain black silk Stockings, embroidered in neat designs and floral effects. } \$2.50 to \$10  
All stockings, if desired, will be attractively boxed.

Extraordinary Sale of  
High-Grade Waists for Women

A MANUFACTURER'S SURPLUS STOCK

The man who produces our finest waists—in designs exclusively intended for us—has felt, in common with other well-known makers, the constrained position of money matters generally.

It is a natural consequence that we should be first to profit by any unusual concessions he should find it expedient to offer.

These beautiful garments come to us, therefore, at a cost which enables us to offer them

At Less Than Half Actual Values

Waists of black, blue, brown, white or ecru net—plain or figured; also Messaline Waists in black, white, blue or pink, elaborated with fine laces. Value \$7.50 } \$4.95

Waists of messaline and nets in a variety of styles and colorings. Value \$10.50 } \$5.95

Waists of all-over laces, Cluny and figured nets, in white, black or ecru. Value \$16.50 } \$7.50

## The Saks Glove Bond

Deposit with us as much or as little as you like. To that amount your bond will be issued.

The gift to the favored person may be redeemed in gloves or any other merchandise.

An Attractive Offering of  
Fur Coats, Muffs and Sets

Not a day passes but that we are offered a lot of furs that may or may not hold interest for us.

We look at them—go critically into their merits—and occasionally we come across some that are worthy. Of these latter, our offering is an instance.

The furs embraced in this assortment represent the result of an especially favorable transaction.

Black Russian Pony Skin Coats; 25-in. semi-fitting collarless models, handsomely trimmed with braid and fancy buttons; light brocade lining; sizes 34 to 42. Value \$40.00. } \$29.50

Black Russian Pony Skin Coats; 48-in. semi-fitting model; shawl collar; fashioned from skins of high lustre and fine markings; lined with light gray satin; sizes 34 to 42. Value \$85.00. } \$65.00

Black Karakul Coats; 25-in. semi-fitting collarless model; handsomely trimmed with braid and fancy buttons; lined with light brocade. Value \$90.00. } \$67.50

Black Karakul Coats; 48-in. semi-fitting model with shawl collar fashioned from light weight sound skins of high lustre; lined with light color brocade satin; sizes 34 to 42. Value \$100.00. } \$75.00

Natural Mink Muffs, \$19.50 \$24.40 \$29.50 \$37.50  
Black Lynx Muffs, \$15.00 \$19.50 \$25.00 \$35.00

Scarfs and Neckpieces to match at equally low prices.

Natural gray and sable dyed Squirrel Sets.

Medium flat muff and 50-inch. Throw Scarf to match, \$10.50

Persian Paw Sets.

Large flat muff and 58-inch. Throw Scarf to match, \$12.50

Fur Sets for Children. A large assortment of good, reliable furs that will give excellent service. \$2.95 and upward.

Sterling Silver or Plated

## Hollow and Flat Ware

AT REDUCTIONS OF 1-3 TO 1-2.

Concluding to discontinue this department we have timed the sale most opportunely for those who desire to profit in their Christmas purchases.

Included are all kinds of Silver and Brass

Novelties, Frames, Smoking Sets, Etc., Etc.

## Neckwear for Men

Beautiful silks of rich texture, heavy, and of durable qualities—the patterns are without end and present the newest ideas of foreign and American weavers.

Prices Range from 50c to \$3.

## Furnishings and Requisites

Silk Suspenders, gift buckles with initial	at \$1.00
More elaborate Suspenders	at \$1.50 to \$25.00
Silk Mufflers, many new colorings and effects, as well as black or white	at \$1.50 to \$9
Dress Protectors	at \$1.50 to \$6
Silk Pajamas	at \$8.50 to \$12
Pajamas of silk and linen	at \$3.50 to \$7

## Umbrellas and Canes

Reliability is a marked feature of our offerings. The goods are selected with especial care and present collectively an unusually attractive display.

Many rare woods and novel handles are shown and a great many are now presented for the first time.

The prices range from \$1 to \$25.

Engraving of monograms will receive painstaking attention.

## MEMBER OF BLACK HAND SHOT.

Prosperous Italian Didn't Take Any Chances When the Fellow Demanded \$500.

UTICA, Dec. 7.—The village of Frankfort, ten miles east of this city, is excited to-night

over a tragedy there late this afternoon growing out of the operations of the Black Hand society, which has a large membership among the Italian people of that community.

Two weeks ago Giuseppe Dovi, a prosperous Italian merchant, received a de-

mand from Giuseppe Sagro, an active leader of the Black Hand gang, for \$500 under pain of death. Dovi paid little attention to the demand and two days ago it was renewed. Dovi then notified the police and bought a revolver to protect himself against harm.

Late this afternoon Dovi was walking down the main street in Frankfort when Sagro approached him and, according to the story told by Dovi, demanded to know whether or not he intended to subscribe \$500 to the Black Hand society. Dovi answered by drawing his pistol and

blazing away at Sagro, who fell, pierced by two bullets. The victim is dying to-night and Dovi is under arrest.

For nearly two years the village of Frankfort has been terrorized by the Black Hand society and the efforts of the authorities to control the lawless Italian element have

been unavailing. During the past summer the Black Hand